

The mission of the Hardy Memorial Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.



*We're the Church with the Warm Heart*

## Hardy Happenings



**BIBLE DRIVE**

**Donate Bibles Here!**

In most villages around the world, believers outnumber Bibles 300 to 1! Join us in ensuring all faithful followers of Jesus have access to hisWord!

\*ACCEPTING BIBLES IN ANY CONDITION & ANY TRANSLATION

Bring to Hardy Memorial by Tuesday, June 10

**PROJECT Bible Runner**

[www.projectbible runners.com](http://www.projectbible runners.com)

## Congratulations, Oviya Justin!



Senior Oviya Justin accepts her valedictorian trophy from Texas High principal Ben Renner at the annual Senior Awards Ceremony on May 6, 2025.

## Lunch with MWENGE MUYOMBI

Noon, Thursday, June 12

Hear what God is doing in Tanzania



We'll be hosting Mwenge Muyombi at noon, Thursday, June 12, to learn about what God is doing in the Global Methodist Church in Tanzania, one of our partner conferences. Mwenge has been a missionary in Tanzania with Joy in the Harvest for 30 years. He is married to Mrs. Janeth Isakesen and they have three children; Jennifer, Rose Mary, and Emmanuel.

Mwenge has focused on proclaiming the gospel, planting churches, providing training to established churches and assisting with the care of the poor and widowed. Mwenge has been a lay leader for the past 25 years and is now a member of the Tanzania Conference as Lay Leader of the Kigoma District of the Global Methodist Church. He also is a member of the

Kingdom Advancement Commission that is responsible for evangelism, church planting, international ministry partnership development and disaster response for the Global Methodist Church. Mr. Muyombi will be a lay delegate to the 2026 General Conference in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Please call the church office if you are coming so we know how much food to prepare.

## The Pastor's Page

Though I'd attended my grandparents' 50th anniversary party as a child, I was too young to be aware of what was happening. The first big anniversary I remember celebrating was the US Bicentennial in 1976. I remember celebrating the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Methodist church in America in 1984. The 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the start of the Reformation in 2017 seemed muted to me, but I still put out my own 95 Theses.



Rev. Richard

This year's celebration of the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Council of Nicaea is upon us. In 325 leaders from across the Christian world met to discuss just what it was we believed about Jesus' identity vis-à-vis God the Father. Rejecting what came to be known as the Arian position – that Jesus is some sort of secondary god ("there was a time when he was not") – the church confessed:

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

The identity of Jesus has been important to Christians since the very beginning. Jesus himself asked his disciples, "Who do you say I am?" eliciting Peter's reply, "You are the Christ, the son of the living God." Others had other thoughts, some accusatory as in the Sanhedrin, "false prophet," "Blasphemer;" some ironic, like Pilate's "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews."

*Who* Jesus is, is foundational to our take on *what* Jesus does. His taking our sin upon himself, dying for us on the cross, rising from the dead, and ascension to rule at the right hand of the Father, is effective for us because he is the eternally begotten Son of the God become human.

Since the Council of Nicaea met in 325, the church has had to deal with other important issues (including the Council of Constantinople in 381 that tweaked the creed of 325), but we never get past the basic confession of Jesus' identity. This same Jesus invites us to become willing participants in what he's doing, fully allegiant citizens of his kingdom.

Because of the anniversary, we'll be using the Nicene Creed more often. We'll also start using a version of the Apostles' Creed that uses contemporary English. This is partly because we are speakers of contemporary English and partly to bring us in line with official GMC doctrinal practice.

*1 Corinthians 15:58*

Rev. Richard Heyduck



# THANK YOU

to everyone who helped update the playground!



## An Opportunity for a Daily Devotional Experience

Wake-Up Call provides a daily encouragement to shake off the slumber of our busy lives and turn our eyes toward Jesus. Each morning our community gathers around a Scripture, a reflection, a prayer, and a few short questions, inviting us to reorient our lives around the love of Jesus who transforms our hearts, homes, churches, and cities.

Sign up online at <https://seedbed.com/wakeupcall/>

**What makes up each morning's Wake-Up Call?**

Every day, whether by email, podcast, or blog post, our aim is to help us hear the ancient hymn of the church found in Ephesians:

**Specifically, that encouragement always includes:**

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| <b>HEAR</b>   | <b>CONSIDER</b>   | <b>PRAY</b>  | <b>JOURNAL</b>   |
| We start each day by waking up to the good news of Jesus as found in the Word of God. | Read a brief awakening perspective from J. D. Walt and friends based on the text.   | Join us together in a prayer based in the scripture and reflection that aligns our hearts for the day. | Sometimes challenging, always compelling, we provide 2-3 questions for you to meditate on. |

June 2025  
**We uphold our vows**

*"As members of this congregation, we will faithfully  
participate in its ministries by our prayers,  
presence, gifts, service and witness."*

## Prayers

PLEASE PRAY FOR: All Hardy home-bound members, all nursing home residents, all our brave service men & women & their families, Linda & Bob Akin, Leoda Autrey, Jack Baker, Sharon Bell, Dale Brown, Barbara Buffington, Jerry Buffington & family, Betty Burnett, Lila C & Kids, Billy Claussen, Sherel Cook, Joyce Dawson, Sue Droske, Ethel Mae Edwards, Guy Ellyson, Susan Evers, Kim Faughn, Berry Flournoy, Bryan Fountain, Noel Gilley, Debbie & Mike Gilliam, Herman & Quata Gilliam, Peggy Harris, Richard Heyduck, Larry Hupp, Mary Jordan, Kerry James, Don Keasler, Logan & Gillian Knowles - travel, Shawn Latham, Renee Lawson & family, Cesali Martin, Carter Mason, Judy Matthews, family of Linda McClemens, Becki McConnell, Doug McVey, Bonnie & Paul Miller, Dottie Miller, John & Gloria Miller, Becky Nelson, Gaylon & Barbara Owens, Tommy & Patti Pierce, Stephanie Pool, Jerry Dale Poore & family, Andy Robbins, Debbie Roberts, Jim & Brenda Rochelle, Brad Smith, Riker Stinson, Don Stephens Jr., Elizabeth Stone, Lisa Waits, Debbie Ward, Sue Ward, Briggs Wagner, Eli Watts, James & Martha Weems, Judy Westerman, Damon Whiseant, Don White, Reggie Windham, Al & Linda Woltman & son Wayne, Gary Womack, Patty & Tommy Yount, Hardy Memorial church finances & debt, Hardy Outreach opportunities, the economy, Ethiopia, Haiti, Iran, Israel, Nigeria, Pakistan, Sudan, Syria, Tanzania, Ukraine, Yemen, and our nation's leaders.

Prayer Band - Sundays at 5:00pm  
You may join in person at the church



Submit your prayer  
requests with this QR code  
or by email:  
kristieawright@gmail.com

## Presence

Average Attendance for Sunday  
worship in the last month: **179**

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9:00am-3:00pm

June 2025

## Financial Report for May 2025

We're still doing well, currently with some cushion in both General Budget and Building Debt - we're over half way to what we need for our June debt payment.

We will be spending on AC repairs in upcoming weeks. Currently we know one unit will need replacing (estimate at around \$23,000) and another needs parts (which are on backorder). Current world trade situation - on top of previous supply interruptions - slows things down and can make them more expensive.

Thank you for your generosity!

### General Budget Giving to Date



#### Total Needed to Date

As of May 27 we've needed \$167,163.51.

#### Total Received to Date

As of May 27 we've received \$187,619.92 (100% of what is needed).

#### Difference

As of May 27 we have a surplus in our General Budget of \$20,456.41.

### Building Payment Giving to Date



#### Total Needed to Date

Our monthly payments are \$10,895.11. In 2025 we've paid \$54,475.55.

#### Total Received to Date

As of May 27, we've received \$60,746.91.

#### Difference

As of May 27 we're \$6,271.36 ahead for the year.



## Thank You

## MEMORIALS

**Tom McConnell**

*Jerry & Jennifer Black*

**Ann Oakes**

*Carl & Charlotte Nyman*

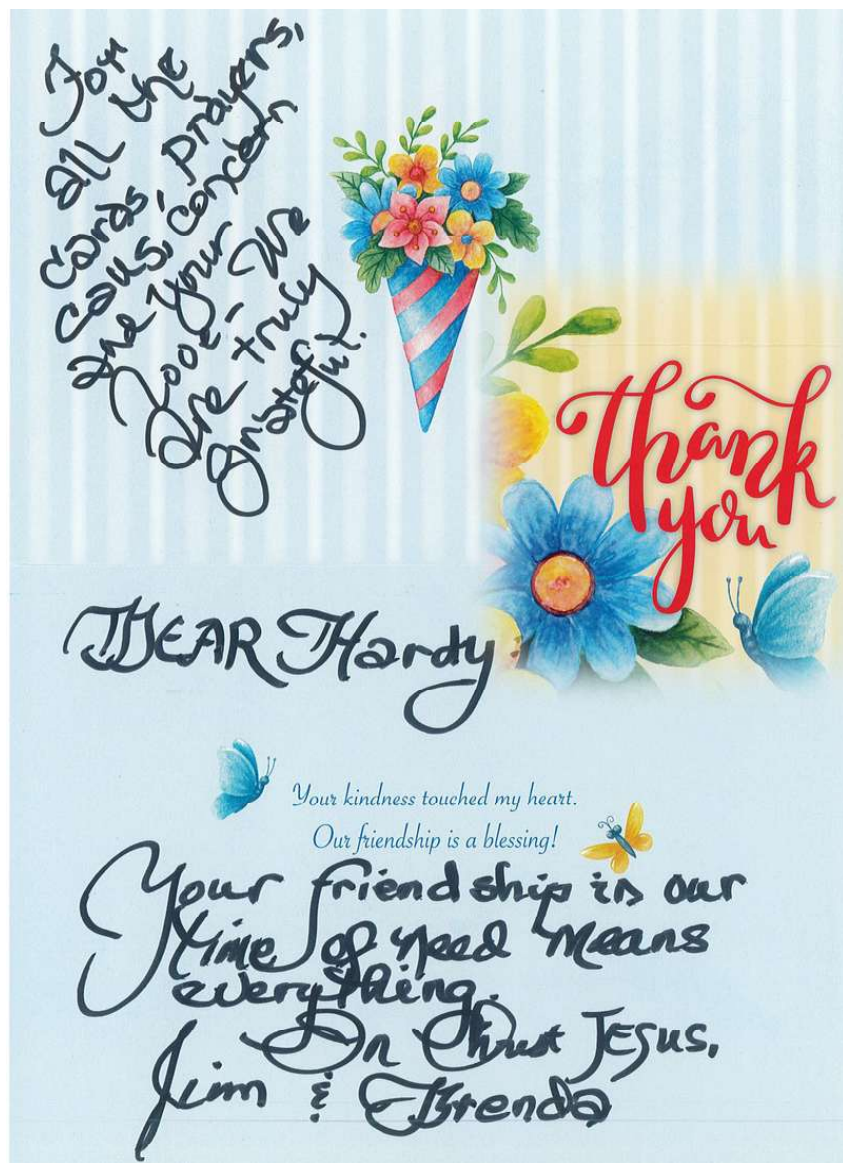
*Renda Gross*

*Laura Marlowe*

*Billy & Mary Lu Stotts*

*Chris & Jan Moser*

*Dennis & Rhonda Reed*



June 2025

## Mark Your Calendars – Upcoming Events

(Also, please check the Calendar page 14 for additional regular monthly events.)

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### Hardy Memorial Methodist Men - Wednesday, June 4th, 7:00am

A great breakfast of bacon (lots), eggs, sausage, gravy, biscuits, and GRITS! Also, good fellowship, and each month a guest speaker is invited to speak on a topic of interest.



A great group of cooks!

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### Hardy Methodist Women - Saturday, June 14th, 2025, @10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall

The Hardy Methodist Women are collecting new twin-sized bedding for our local chapter of **Beds For Kids**. Please bring your donation to the collection bin in the Grand Foyer.

**Deadline is Sept 1st.**

June 2025

## Mark Your Calendars – Upcoming Events (cont'd)

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### Hardy Memorial Food Pantry - June 18th

Every 3rd Wednesday, 1:00pm

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### Hardy Memorial Men's Lunch - June 20th

Every 3rd Friday, Noon @ the Chuck Wagon in Nash, TX

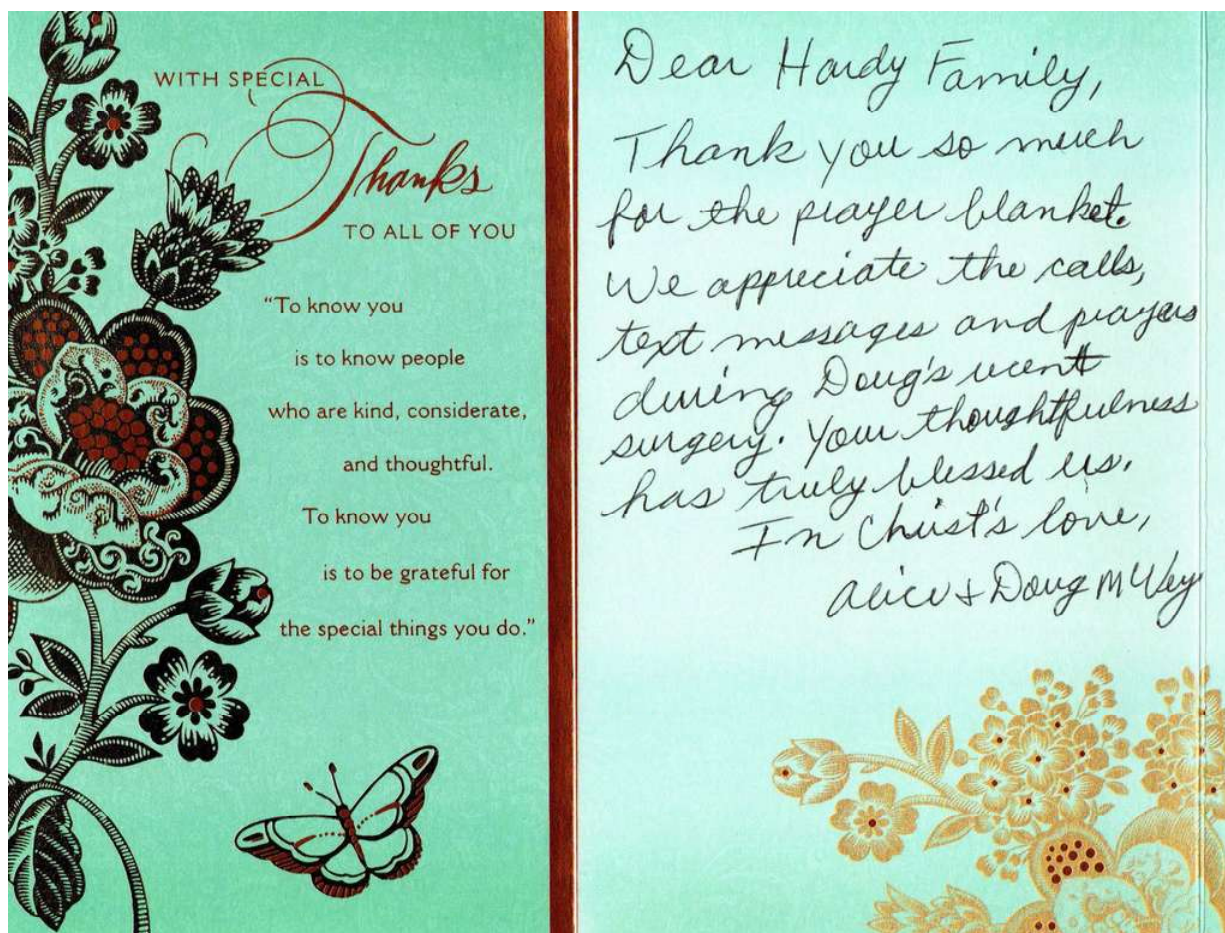
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### New Horizons Lunch & Bingo - 4<sup>th</sup> Monday

**NOTE:** New Horizons will not be meeting through the Summer, will resume in September 2025

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## Thank You





June 2025

## Sunday School Services

### Start at 9:45am-10:30am

*For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them. (Matthew 18:20)*

One - Two Year Old

Sue Jones & Alice McVey

Kindergarden - 1st Grade

Christi Heyduck & Sue Droske

4th Grade - 5th Grade

Bonnie Miller & Kristie Wright

Faith Seekers

Shannan Whitt & Jerry Black

Ephesians Class

Paul Miller

3 - 4 Year Old

Katie Walz - Children's Classroom

2nd Grade - 3rd Grade

Beth Melton

Youth - 6th - Teens

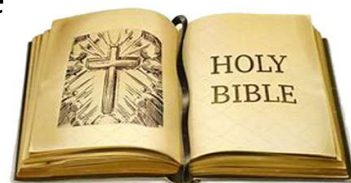
Billy Whitt

Service Class

Class Teachers rotate, Choir room

G.I.F.T. Class

Class Teachers rotate



## Weekly Bible Studies

**Sunday - 6:00pm**

> *Gospel of John* - led by Richard Heyduck

**Wednesday - 10:30am**

> *The Cost of Discipleship* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer - led by Richard Heyduck

**Wednesday - 6:00pm**

> *Everything You Need* - led by Mark Roberts

## Weekly Activities

- > **Yoga** - Tuesday & Thursday @ 11:00am every week
- > **Chancel Choir practice** - Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:00pm
- > **Fit4Moms Exercise Group** - Moms and their kids meet for exercise in the **Youth Lodge**.

June 2025

## Children's Department - Birth to 5th Grade

*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." - (Matthew 19:14)*

**Julianna Aaron - Children's Director:**  
hardykids@hardymemorial.org

**Sunday School** starts at 9:45am  
**Children's Church & Nursery** during Worship



**Children's Church**  
Making masks!



**Children's Message with Ms. Jennifer**  
Always such a blessing to be a part of this service



**Children's Musical**  
"Raise a Hallelujah"  
performed by the Children on Mothers' Day



**VBS Planning Meeting**

June 2025

## Youth Department

### 6th Grade - 12th Grade

*Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. (1 Timothy 4:12)*

**Billy Whitt - Youth Director:** [hardyyouth@hardymemorial.org](mailto:hardyyouth@hardymemorial.org)

**Sunday School** - 9:45am

**Sunday Worship** - 10:45am

**Sunday Evening Activities**

> **Youth Music** - Youth Band  
- time TBD

> **Youth Activities**  
- 5:30pm - 7:00pm

### **Sunday Evening Activities for June:**

- > 6/1 Fishing @ Mack & Jane Walker's house
- > 6/8 Games @ Lodge
- > 6/15 Father's Day; No Evening Youth Activities
- > 6/22 Student Mission Week; No Evening Youth Activities
- > 6/29 Youth Sunday; Eat @ Loca Luna

We are updating our Youth records. Please complete our information form using the QR code.



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**Youth Serving at the Hardy Beast Feast. Thank you for supporting this Youth Fundraiser.**










**2025**

## Calendar of Events

- > June 1 Sun. Promotion Sunday  
12:00pm VBS Planning meeting
- > June 4 Wed. 7:00am Hardy Memorial Methodist Men's Breakfast, 1st Wednesday
- > June 5 - June 7 GMC Annual Conference, The Woodlands, Houston, TX.
- > June 8 Sunday Pentecost Sunday - wear Red, if you like.
- > June 12 Thur. 12:00noon Missions Lunch with Mwenge Muyombi from Tanzania
- > June 14 Sat. 10:00am Hardy Memorial Methodist Women, 2nd Saturday, Fellowship Hall
- > June 15 Sun. Father's Day
- > June 18 Wed. 1:00pm Food Pantry, third Wednesday
- > June 20 Fri. 12:00noon Methodist Men's Lunch - Chuck Wagon. Nash. TX
- > June 22 - June 29 Student Mission Week

**Please have information for the July newsletter  
submitted by June 25th to Janet (903-824-8560) or  
[newsletter@hardymemorial.org](mailto:newsletter@hardymemorial.org)**

| Sun  | Mon | Tue | Wed                               | Thu                                  | Fri                                       | Sat  |
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| Promotion 1<br>Sunday<br>VBS Planning<br>meeting   | 2   | 3   | Methodist<br>Men B'fast<br>7:00am | 5                                    | 6   | 7  |
| 8<br>  | 9   | 10  | 11                                | 12<br>Missions<br>Lunch<br>12:00noon | 13  | 14<br>Methodist<br>Women -<br>10:00am<br> |
| 15<br> | 16  | 17  | 18<br>Food Pantry<br>1:00pm       | 19                                   | 20<br>Methodist<br>Men Lunch<br>12:00noon | 21   |
| 22   | 23  | 24  | 25                                | 26                                   | 27  | 28   |
| <div> <div>←</div> <div>Student Mission Week 6/22 - 6/29</div> <div>→</div> </div>       |     |     |                                   |                                      |   |  |
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